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EMPLOYEE OF METRO ADmits PEDDLING PRO-FIDEL WRITINGS

By MILLER DAVIS

A 39-year-old Metro attendant told police today he has been distributing pro-Castro literature here for months as an agent of Communist-front groups headquartered in New York.

The group was identified by police as the Fair Play Committee, 799 Broadway, New York City, with a branch in Tampa. The committee has branded a Red-front by Chief J. Edgar Hoover.

"I was paid \$2 for each copy of circulars I distributed," said Rinaldo Di Stefano, 25 SW 58th Ave., a construction worker at Fairchild Dress Co. since Nov. 1.

"A man from Tampa sent the material to me and I am responsible for its distribution."

Di Stefano named as his New York contact V. T. of the Fair Play Committee.

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He Gets In Scrap

Metro intelligence officers said Lee is believed to be in New York now. In Tampa, the sheriff's intelligence section said Lee was listed as a member of the Socialist Youth League of the Socialist Workers Party.

Di Stefano was arrested by Miami police Saturday as he attempted to hand out pamphlets in the Central Negro district.

He became involved in a scrap after offering one of the circulars to a Dominican nationalist, who grabbed Di Stefano and ripped his shirt.

Di Stefano was held on a vagrancy charge during the weekend while police and the FBI questioned him.

Sgt. Charles Sapp, head of the Miami police intelligence unit, said a charge of inciting a riot would be filed.

President Accused

Among pamphlets handed out by Di Stefano is one accusing President Kennedy, Cardinal Spellman and CIA Director John McCone of planning and "paying for" the murder of a 16-year-old Dade-Castro school teacher in Cuba.

Di Stefano also was distributing reprints of a Miami News story dealing with the problems of Cuban refugees. The article — used without permission — was taken out of context to make it appear sympathetic to Castro.

A spokesman for the Dade Park Board said Di Stefano would be suspended under Civil Service regulations after the charge is filed.

Bayfront Park has been the most frequent scene of Di Stefano's pamphlet-passing activities. On Feb. 3, hundreds of cars parked in the park were plastered with Kennedy booklets, the Miami News said, and an inflammatory speech was given.

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